

DEPARTMENT: NORTH TONAWANDA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
CLASSIFICATION: COMPETITIVE
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WASTEWATER LIFT STATION OPERATOR
(North Tonawanda)

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: The work involves responsibility for the operation and maintenance of a wastewater pumping station. Duties are performed under the general supervision of the Assistant Superintendent of Public Works and the Operator is given considerable independence in deciding how assigned duties should be completed. A Lift Station Operator is on call 24 hours a day to perform emergency repairs to wastewater pumping equipment during periods of heavy rain or high water levels. An incumbent may lead the work of laborers on assignment. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

1. Makes daily inspections of lift stations to ensure the equipment is functioning properly;
2. Regulates controls and valves as needed;
3. Records gauge and meter readings;
4. Supervises or performs the cleaning, adjusting and repair of mechanical and electrical equipment in the lift stations;
5. Supervises and performs the maintenance of lift station buildings and grounds;
6. Removes detergent buildup from wet wells and pumping equipment.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Good knowledge of the operation and maintenance of pumps and electrical equipment; skill in operating and making repairs to mechanical and electrical equipment; ability to read and record data from gauges and meters; ability to follow oral and written instructions; ability to work in confined areas; mechanical aptitude; willingness to work under disagreeable conditions including foul odors and dirt; physical condition equal to the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Two (2) years experience in the operation and repair of pumps and electrical equipment.